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Information on the city of L'VOVIntroduction

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Appendix "A"

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to this report shows numbered locations on an overlay of a Town Plan of L'VOV (reference No.GS.4435). Appendix "B" contains the key to the numbered locations. Appendix "C" contains a list of former Polish street names and their Russian replacements; the majority of the original Polish names have been replaced by Russian ones since the town was occupied by the Soviets. As the city was not heavily damaged during the Second World War much of it has remained as it was under Polish rule.

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Brief Amplifying Notes

2. Since 1945 a whole new town has been and still is under construction approximately 3 kilometres South of the suburb of PERTSENKOVKA (Southern outskirts of L'VOV). Its name is NOVY L'VOV (New LVOV). Several new factories and many blocks of workers' flats are being built there. There is also a large camp for political prisoners (lager' politicheskikh zaklyuchennykh) in NOVY L'VOV.

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there about 40,000 inmates from all parts of the U.S.S.R. Many of them were selected persons, including a large number of artistes from the musical and theatrical world. They are accommodated in wooden huts and guarded by uniformed M.V.D. Troops (vojaka M.V.D.). They are put to work on the various construction sites in NOVY L'VOV. Since the death of STALIN living conditions for the inmates have become somewhat easier, although none of them was affected

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by the 1953 Amnesty. They are now allowed to receive more private letters, newspapers and political literature and to give theatrical performances in the camp.

3. About 4 kilometres South of the southern boundary of L'VOV, some 500 metres to the West of the L'VOV/STRILY main road (Strilys^{ove} Shosse) there is a group of about a dozen 85 mm. A.A. guns

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4. About 5 kilometres South of the southern boundary of L'VOV, some 300 metres to the West of the L'VOV/STRILY main road there is a so-called Tank Repair Plant (tankoremontnyy zavod), tanks may also be manufactured

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5. About 6 kilometres South of the southern boundary of L'VOV on the East side of the L'VOV/STRILY main road there is a large firing range of the Carpathian Military District (HQ in L'VOV). firing in progress from mortars, heavy machine guns and tanks.

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Appendix "B"Key to overlay of Town Plan of L'VOV (G.S. 4435)

- No. 1 MVD Directorate (Upravleniye MVD) for L'VOV Oblast.
- This is a dark-grey 5-storeyed building at the corner of Ulitsa Mitskevicha and Ulitsa Gor'kogo, with the main entrance in Ulitsa Gor'kogo.
- No. 2 Politekhmicheskii Institut (Polytechnical Institute) in Ulitsa Stalina.
- This is a yellow, 4-storeyed building, where about 400 young persons study in various Faculties, three of which are the Oil Faculty (Neft'nyano Fakul'tet) - started in 1947 - the Geodesical Faculty, and the Timber Industry Faculty (Fakul'tet Lesnoy Promyshlennosti).
- No. 3 Site of three steel trellis-like masts (similar in appearance to electric pylons) each 40/50 metres high, believed to be a jamming station directed against Western broadcasts in Russian. The area is fenced off, a sentry in the uniform of the MVD troops is on guard, and no other buildings are visible. 25X1
- [redacted] there is some underground accommodation.
- No. 4 Main Post Office.
- This is a large, dark-grey, 3-storeyed building, about 60 metres long situated between the parallel streets of Oktyabrskaya Ulitsa and Ulitsa Kopernika. On the 1st floor are the Telephone and Telegraph Offices, on the second floor the Post Office, and on the 3rd floor the Staff Offices.
- No. 5 The citadel (Tsitadel'). This has existed for very many years. A Battalion of Soviet infantry is stationed there. For the last 3 years or so they have been engaged in large-scale excavation work in the hill on which the citadel stands. Informant does not know what they are building, but thinks it may be an underground military depot. The troops are accommodated in the former Polish barracks in the area.
- No. 6 Directorate of MVD Troops (Upravleniye Voysk MVD) for the city of L'VOV.
- This is a yellow, 3-storeyed post-war building on the South side of Ulitsa Mayakovskogo. There are 4 or 5 separate entrances at each of which stands a uniformed MVD sentry. About 700 MVD troops can be, and probably are, accommodated here. In a smaller 2-storeyed building on the opposite side of the street is housed the H.Q. (Shtab).
- No. 7 H.Q. Carpathian Military District (Shtab Prikarpat'skogo Voen'nogo Okruga).
- This is a very large, old (but in good condition) 3-storeyed building situated on Ulitsa Vatutina. There are about 30 separate entrances. About one Company of Infantry Troops are there as guard. The remainder of the personnel are office staff spread out over many departments.

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- No. 8 Gorkompartii (City Party Committee) of the Komsomols, and one of the regional committees (Rajkompartii) of the Communist Party.
- This is a 3-storeyed building at No. 14 Akademicheskaya Ulitsa.
- No. 9 A unit (type and size unknown) of MVD Troops (Voyska MVD) in Gvardeyskaya Ulitsa.
- No. 10 Annexe to L'VOV University (Filial Universiteta), at which are housed the Physics/Mathematics, History, Chemistry and Botany Faculties.
- No. 11 Directorate of former MGB.
- This is a large, fine 4-storeyed building about 40 metres long (built just before the Second War), situated at No. 38 Kadetskaya Ulitsa. No notice or sentry is visible outside. Since the merger of the MGB and MVD after STALIN's death there has been no visible change in the external appearance of the building.
- No. 12 Tram Depot (Trampark).
- Here there is space for about 10 trams, which can also be overhauled and maintained on the spot.
- No. 13 Political School (Politicheskoe Uchilishche) and University Students' Hostel (Obshchezhitie Universiteta).
- The Political School is housed in former Polish barracks: a large, 4-storeyed building surrounded by a high stone wall. About 400 cadets attend 3-year courses on which they are trained to become Political Officers (Zampolity) in the Armed Forces.
- No. 14 This former Polish Park (known as Halickie in Polish) is now a Soviet Park of Culture and Rest (Park Kul'tury i Otdykha). Agricultural Exhibitions are frequently held there.
- No. 15 10th Division of the Militia (10-oe Otdeleniye Militsii), situated at the beginning of Akademicheskaya Ulitsa.
- No. 16 5th Division of the Militia (5-oe Otdeleniye Militsii), situated in Zelenaya Ulitsa.
- No. 17 Secondary School No. 6 (Shestaya Srednaya Shkola), situated in Zelenaya Ulitsa. There are 10-classes (Desyatiletka). It is a 5-storeyed building, where about 700 pupils attend.
- No. 18 Cinema (Kinoteatr imeni Shchorsa), in Akademicheskaya Ulitsa.
- No. 19 Komendatura for the city of L'VOV.
- This is a 3-storeyed building, where about a dozen officers and a company of o.R.'s (Infantry) are stationed; military police patrols are drawn from this unit.
- No. 20 Town-Hall (Ratusha), in Ploshchad' Rynok. Here are located the various administrative departments of the Gorsovet.
- No. 21 Gorkompartii (City Committee of the Communist Party) of the city of L'VOV. This building is situated in a small park; the main entrance is from Ofiterskaya Ulitsa.

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- No. 22 L'VOV Radio Station, situated opposite the Carpathian Military District H.Q. (see No.7). This is in the same place as the former Polish Radio Station.
- No.23 Officers' Infantry Training School (Voennoye Pekhotnoye Uchilishche imeni Shohorsa). 25X1
- No. 24 An area containing the Medical Institute (Medinstitut) and about 10 hospitals. The medical institute is a 3-storeyed building, where about 350 students are usually studying. Amongst the hospitals are a Tubercular, a Venereal and a Maternity Hospital. 25X1
- No. 25 Railway Workers' Club (Dom Kul'tury Zheleznodorozhnikov, abbreviated to D.K.Zh.D.), situated in Gorodetskaya Ulitsa. This is a fine, large building containing two dance-halls, a cinema, a theatre and a restaurant, as well as other amenities.
- No. 26 Electric Lamp Factory (Elektrolampovyy Zavod). 25X1
- The whole factory area extends for about 1 kilometre along Ulitsa Belinskogo. It existed under Polish rule but has been extended by the Soviets since the Second World War. 25X1
- Civilian prisoners were working on the site. The factory is working throughout the 24 hours daily. Production is devoted entirely to radio valves and electric light bulbs. 25X1
- No. 27 In this area there are 10/15 large buildings which form the L'VOV Asylum. Patients are admitted from all parts of the Soviet Union.
- No. 28 L'VOV Civil Airport (approximate location), which also extends farther West than shown on the map. 25X1
- It is also used by military aircraft. There may be an extension of the civil aerodrome for military purposes but this is not visible from the former.
- No. 29 A Regiment of Mechanised Troops is permanently stationed in this area. tanks and self-propelled guns there, and officers wearing Artillery and Tank shoulder-boards 25X1
- No. 30 Factory No. 72 (72-oy Zavod). This has been built since the Second World War and produces electric motors for factories (probably also other equipment) 25X1
- No. 31 Motor Vehicle Assembly Plant (Avtosbornochnyy Zavod). chiefly the type known as GAZ 63. 25X1
- No. 32 Bicycle Assembly Plant (Velosipedosbornochnyy Zavod), known as the LVZ (I'vovskiyy Velosipedosbornochnyy Zavod), built since the Second World War 25X1
- No. 33 Precision Instruments Factory (Zavod Tochnykh Priborov). Parts for radios, particularly for radio in aircraft, are made

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- No. 34 L'VOV University.
- No. 35 Institute of Trade and Students' Hostel for same (Torgovyĭ Institut i Obshchezhitie).
This is a 4-storeyed Building in Institutskaya Ulitsa, built shortly before the Second World War. There are about 300 students.
- No. 36 Secondary School No. 14 (14-aya Srednaya Shkola), with 10 classes (Desyatiletka). Here there are about 600 pupils.
- No. 37 L'VOV Gasworks.
Gas is widely used in the city for cooking (but not lighting) purposes, and piped gas is laid on in most, if not all, houses. Gas is always available, but in winter pressure is frequently weak.
- No. 38 Electric Power Station. This was built in 1946 or 1947, and supplies power chiefly for the L'VOV factories. It is worked on coal and possibly some peat.
- No. 39 Pedagogical Institute (Pedagogicheskiĭ Institut), in Institutskaya Ulitsa.
- No. 40 Railway School (Zheleznodorozhnoe Uchilishche)
- No. 41 Electrical Power Station.
This is the original L'VOV Power Station. It was badly damaged during the Second World War, but is now working again. There are no power shortages or cuts, and street lighting in L'VOV is good. [redacted] no restrictions on the use of electric current. 25X1
- No. 42 Five batteries of 3 guns each, making a total of 15 85 mm. A.A. guns, are stationed here. They form part of the air defence of the city, and are well camouflaged. They are situated in the park formerly known in Polish as Wysoki Zamek (now Russian Vysokiĭ Zamok) - the area is known as "Podzamche". 25X1
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- No. 43 Head office of the GOSBANK (State Bank) for the city of L'VOV situated at the end of Ulitsa Kopernika.
- No. 44 Savings Bank (Sberkassa).
- No. 45 A district branch of the L'VOV GOSBANK (see No.43 above).
- No. 46 Technical School for the Cotton Industry (Tekhnikum Bumazhnoĭ Promyshlennosti), opened in 1950. There are about 200 students.
- No. 47 Dramatic Theatre (Teatr imeni Zankovenskogo)
- No. 48 L'VOV Opera House.
- No. 49 Aircraft Observation Post (Post VNOS - Vozdushnoe Nablyudeniye, Opoveshcheniye i Svyaz'). Here a Company of about 60 Soviet Air Force personnel are stationed. There are 4 steel masts of about 15 metres height each, with revolving radar apparatus at the top. [redacted] 25X1

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No. 50 A Radio Mast about 50 metres high, enclosed by electrified barbed wire and a notice reading "Stop, or you will be shot" (Stoy, Strelyayu). [redacted] the broadcasting mast of L'VOV Radio.

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No. 51 Locomotive Repair Plant (Parovozoremontnyy Zavod), built since the Second World War and completed in 1952. The former Polish Locomotive Repair Plant (exact location not known) was heavily damaged during the war.

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Appendix "C"

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LIST OF OLD AND NEW STREET NAMES IN L'VOV

<u>Former Polish Name</u>	<u>Present Soviet Name</u>
Ul. Akademicka	Akademicheskaya Ulitsa
" Na Bajkach	Ul. Na Baykakh
" Bema	" Bema
" Bilinskih	" Belinskogo
" Blacharske	" Blakharska
Aleja Marszalka Focha	Privokzal'naya Alleya
Ul. Batorego	Ul. Vatutina
" Dlugosza	" Lomonosova
" Grodecka	Gorodetskaya Ulitsa
Pl. Halicka	Galitskaya Ploshchad'
Ul. Jakobe Strzemie	Ul. Mendeleeva
" Jagellionske	" Gor'kogo
" Kopernika	" Kopernika
" Kochanowskiego	" Mayakovskogo
Kulparkowska Droga	Kul'parkovskaya Ulitsa
Ul. Legjonow	Pervomayskaya Ulitsa
" 29 Listopada	Ul. Engel'sa
" Lyczakowska	" Lenina
" Mickiewicza	" Mitskevicha
" Mochnackiego	Gwardyjskaya Ulitsa
" Panienska	Institutskaya Ulitsa
" Pelosynska	Ul. Dzerzhinskogo
" Pijarow	" Pirogova
" Rynek	Pl. Rynok
Ul. Sapiehy	Ul. Stalina
" Stryaka Droga	Stryskaya Ulitsa
Ul. Sykstuska	Oktyabrskaya Ulitsa
" Zielona	Zelenaya Ulitsa

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Appendix A

